GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4366
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U.S. SPY AIRCRAFTS
B.K. PARTHASARATHI

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that US Spy aircraft has been detected over international waters off China;

(b) whether any spy aircraft has been detected flying over India; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to check the Foreign spy aircrafts flying over the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a) A U.S. surveillance aircraft collided with a Chinese fighter aircraft on April 01, 2001 about 100 kms from China`s Hainan Island. While the Chinese aircraft crashed into the sea, the U.S. aircraft made an emergency landing at a military base on the Hainan Island.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.